

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION  
MAY 23, 2016  
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS  
HDP-2016-0308  
5804 WYNONA AVENUE

**PROPOSAL**

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Demolish a ca. 1951 house.

**ARCHITECTURE**

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One-story, L-plan, side-gabled brick-veneered frame house with a partial-width partially-inset porch on brick posts; multi-light metal-framed casement windows; integral one-car garage to the right of the house.

**RESEARCH**

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The house was built in 1951 by Howard Pringle, a local builder. The first owners and occupants of the house were B. Clary and Dorothy Bates, who lived here until around 1953. B. Clary Bates was originally from Dallas, and was a physician here in Austin with his office on W. 18<sup>th</sup> Street.

Clyde and Estelle Barber purchased the house around 1953, and lived here until around 1989. Clyde Barber was a native of Lexington, Texas, where he farmed. He moved into Austin, and went into the clothes cleaning business, first with Faye Wilder at Longhorn Cleaners. He eventually took over the business at Longhorn Cleaners, and around 1958, he opened a second business, Northwest Cleaners, on Burnet Road.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

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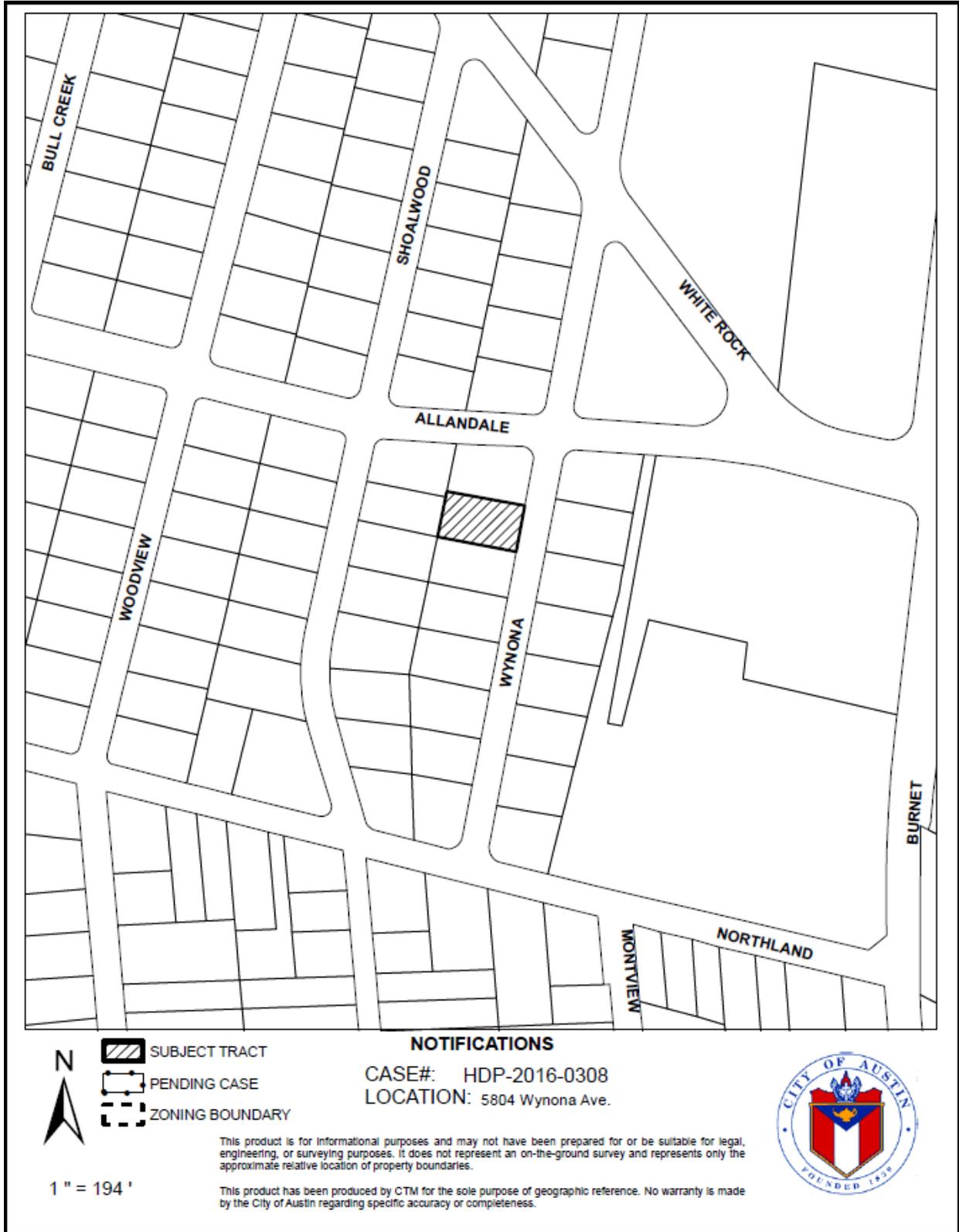
The house is beyond the bounds of any City survey.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use; Wynona Avenue is almost completely intact with its collection of 1950s houses, and this house helps represent the character of 1950s suburban development in northwest Austin. However, the house does not have the requisite architectural or historical significance necessary for landmark designation, so staff recommends the completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package, consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center.

LOCATION MAP





- 1962 Clyde and Estelle M. Barber, owners  
Proprietor, Northwest Cleaners, 6105 Burnet Road.
- 1959 Clyde and Estelle M. Barber, owners  
Proprietor, Longhorn Cleaners, 2538 Guadalupe and 116 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street; and  
Northwest Cleaners, 6105 Burnet Road.
- 1955 Clyde and Estelle M. Barber, owners  
Proprietor (with Faye Wilder), Longhorn Cleaners, 714 Brazos Street and 2538  
Guadalupe Street.  
NOTE: B. Clary and Dorothy Bates are listed at 4600 Laurel Canyon Drive. He  
was a physician with offices at 1108 Nueces Street.
- 1952 B. Clary and Dorothy Bates, owners  
Physician, 403 W. 18<sup>th</sup> Street.  
NOTE: Clyde and Estelle Barber are listed at 915 E. 48½ Street; he was the  
proprietor (with Mildred P. Wilder), of Longhorn Cleaners, 710 Brazos Street and  
2538 Guadalupe Street.
- 1949 The street is not listed in the directory.  
NOTE: B. Clary and Dorothy Bates are not listed in the directory.

### **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES**

#### **B. Clary and Dorothy Bates (ca. 1951 – ca. 1953)**

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Clary Bates as the 20-year old son of Charles B. and Kate Bates, who owned their home in Dallas. Clary Bates had been born in Texas and had no occupation listed. His father, Charles B. Bates, was 50, had been born in Texas, and was a deputy collector for the government. Clary was the oldest of the couple's three sons listed. The 1930 U.S. Census shows B. Clary Bates living with his parents in Dallas, where his father was a book-keeper for a lumber company.

#### **Clyde and Estelle Barber (ca. 1953 – ca. 1989)**

Clyde and Estelle Barber appear in the 1940 U.S. Census as the renters of the house at 3702 Wabash Avenue in Austin. Clyde Barber was 40, had been born in Texas, and was a dry cleaner. Estelle Barber was 30, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had a son, Monte Clyde Barber, 9, who had been born in Texas. The Barbers had two lodgers: Walter B. Ditto, 23, a Texas-born salesman for a wholesale dry goods company; and James Harold McDaniel, 29, a Texas-born manager of a dry cleaning business.

His 1918 World War I draft registration card shows that Clyde Barber was living at Lexington, Lee County, Texas. He was born in 1899 and was a farmer in Lexington. He was of short height, slender build, and had brown hair and eyes.

## **Clyde Barber**

**Clyde Barber, 87, of Austin, died Tuesday night following a lengthy illness.**

**Mr. Barber served as a Deacon in Hyde Park Baptist Church for many years.**

**Funeral services will be held at 10:30 AM, Thursday in the Colonial Chapel of the Cook-Walden Funeral Home, with Dr. Ralph Smith, Pastor of Hyde Park Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will be in Austin Memorial Park.**

**Mr. Barber was the husband of Estelle Barber of Austin; father and father-in-law of Monty and Kay Barber of Dallas; and brother of Mrs. Willene Peterson of Austin. He is also survived by two grandchildren, two nephews, and one niece.**

**Pallbearers for the service include: Robert Smith, Louis Steinback, Milton Turner, David Lewis, Harold Johnson, and Mayett Smith. Honorary pallbearers include: Benton Moore, Calvin Guthrie, Members of the Elijah Sunday School Class of Hyde Park Baptist Church, and the Deacon body of Hyde Park Baptist Church.**

**Arrangements by Cook-Walden Funeral Home, Lamar location.**

Obituary of Clyde Barber  
Austin American-Statesman, February 26, 1987

## Estelle Barber

Estelle Barber, widow of Clyde Barber, of Austin died Wednesday, March 13, 1996, at the age of 87.

Graveside services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, March 16, 1996, at Austin Memorial Park with Reverend Earl Smith officiating.

Mrs. Barber is survived by her son, Monty Barber of Dallas, Texas; brother, Rodney Montague of Austin; sister, Ruth Hogan of Rockdale, Texas; grandson, Brandon Barber of Dallas, Texas; and granddaughter, Kelty Barber of Arlington, Virginia.



**Cook-  
Walden.**

6100 North Lamar  
512/454-5611

Obituary of Estelle Barber  
Austin American-Statesman, March 15, 1996

Receipt No. 16440 Application for Sewer Connection N<sup>o</sup> 27955

Austin, Texas, 2-23-51

To the Superintendent of Sanitary Sewer Division, City of Austin, Texas.

Sir:—

I hereby make application for sewer connection and instructions on premises owned by Howard Pringle at 5804 Wynona Street, further described as Lot 790 Block — Outlot — Division — subdivision Allandale #1 Plat 325, which is to be used as res

In this place there are to be installed 5 fixtures. Plumbing Permit No. 42429  
I agree to pay the City of Austin, the regular ordinance charge. 2-26-51

Depth at Prop. Line 3' 3 1/2' at stub Respectfully

Stub Out Connected } 63' N of SLL stub 79' N of SLL L. S. Myers  
(Location)

Date 2-28-51

By Amanis

NOTE: Connection Instruction 6" Sewer in St I 4' Long  
main 13.5' E of WPE  
6" Subc All 6' 50" B-1992

Sewer connection application by Howard Pringle for this house (1951)

<b>Clyde Barber</b>	<b>5804 Wynona Ave.</b>
<b>383</b>	<b>89</b>
<b>Allandale # 1</b>	
<b>Brick Veneer Addition to rear of Residence</b>	
<b>83634</b>	<b>4-23-62</b>
<b>L. C. Steinbach</b>	<b>1500.00</b>
	<b>None</b>

**DEN**

Building permit to Clyde Barber for a rear addition (1962)